### CHAPTER 286

#### LANDLORD'S LIEN

#### S. F. 318

AN ACT to amend section ten thousand two hundred sixty-one (10261), Code, 1939, relating to landlord's lien.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Section ten thousand two hundred sixty-one (10261), Code, 1939, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: "Provided, however, that in cases of farm leases involving the rental of 3 farm lands leasing lands of forty (40) acres or more, where the tenant 5 has defaulted in the payment of his rent and suit has been commenced 6 aided by attachment for the enforcement of the landlord's lien, the defendant may file as a defense that the default or inability to pay is 8 caused or brought about by reason of drought, flood, hail, storms or 9 other climatic conditions or infestation of pests affecting the land in 10 controversy. When such a defense has been filed, the issue as to the cause for the default shall be triable as an equitable action. Upon the 11 12 hearing, if the court finds that the default or inability to pay is due 13 to drought, flood, hail, storm or other climatic conditions or infestation of pests affecting the land in controversy, the court may enter a decree 14 15 pursuant thereto with his finding of fact. Where a decree has been entered finding that the inability to pay was brought about by any of 16 17 the conditions named in this act, the landlord's lien shall be confined to all of the crops grown and raised upon the premises and to all increase 18 19 in live stock and hogs raised upon the premises.
  - SEC. 2. The provisions of this act shall not apply to any farm leases executed prior to July 4, 1941.

Approved April 9, 1941.

## CHAPTER 287

# LIEN FOR AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY WORK

### H. F. 83

AN ACT to amend and revise section ten thousand two hundred sixty-nine and one-tenth (10269.1), Code, 1939, relating to liens for services on agricultural products.

# Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. That section ten thousand two hundred sixty-nine and one-tenth (10269.1), code, 1939, is hereby amended and revised to read as follows:
- "Any person, firm, corporation or association engaged in operating a machine for the threshing, baling or combining of any kind of grain or seed; or for the baling of hay, straw or any other farm product whether done by stationary or movable baler; or for the mechanical husking or shelling of corn; or for doing custom threshing, combining,